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We are a vibrant and beautiful community. With you we will "Master the Possibilities." With your help, Heber Valley USA will be the heart of Utah recreation in so many fields.

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# Balloons, Parachutes and Airplanes To Fill Heber Valley Skies Saturday

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People from European countries, in the United States for other parachuting events, heard about the balloon jumps and will be participating in Heber, he said.

"It's kind of a rare thing to jump out of a balloon and it's really one of the funnest sky dives you can ever make," he said.

The Utah Aeronauts will begin launching their balloons from the

new balloon port west of the Heber City Airport, between 6 and 6:30 a.m.

But around midday, the balloons will come down because it's difficult for them to fly when the temperatures begin to rise, he said. Four to six airplanes will be available to take jumpers up during the afternoon.

Observers will be able to go up in the balloons or planes for one dollar, plus one dollar for every 3,000 feet of altitude. Two accelerated free fall (AFF) instructors will offer four-hour classes, plus a jump, for about \$150. Tandem jumps, in which a novice is strapped to an experienced jumper, will also be available, with 30 minutes of instruction, for about \$100 each.

At dark, there will be a social gathering with a bonfire and grill, south of the airport building.

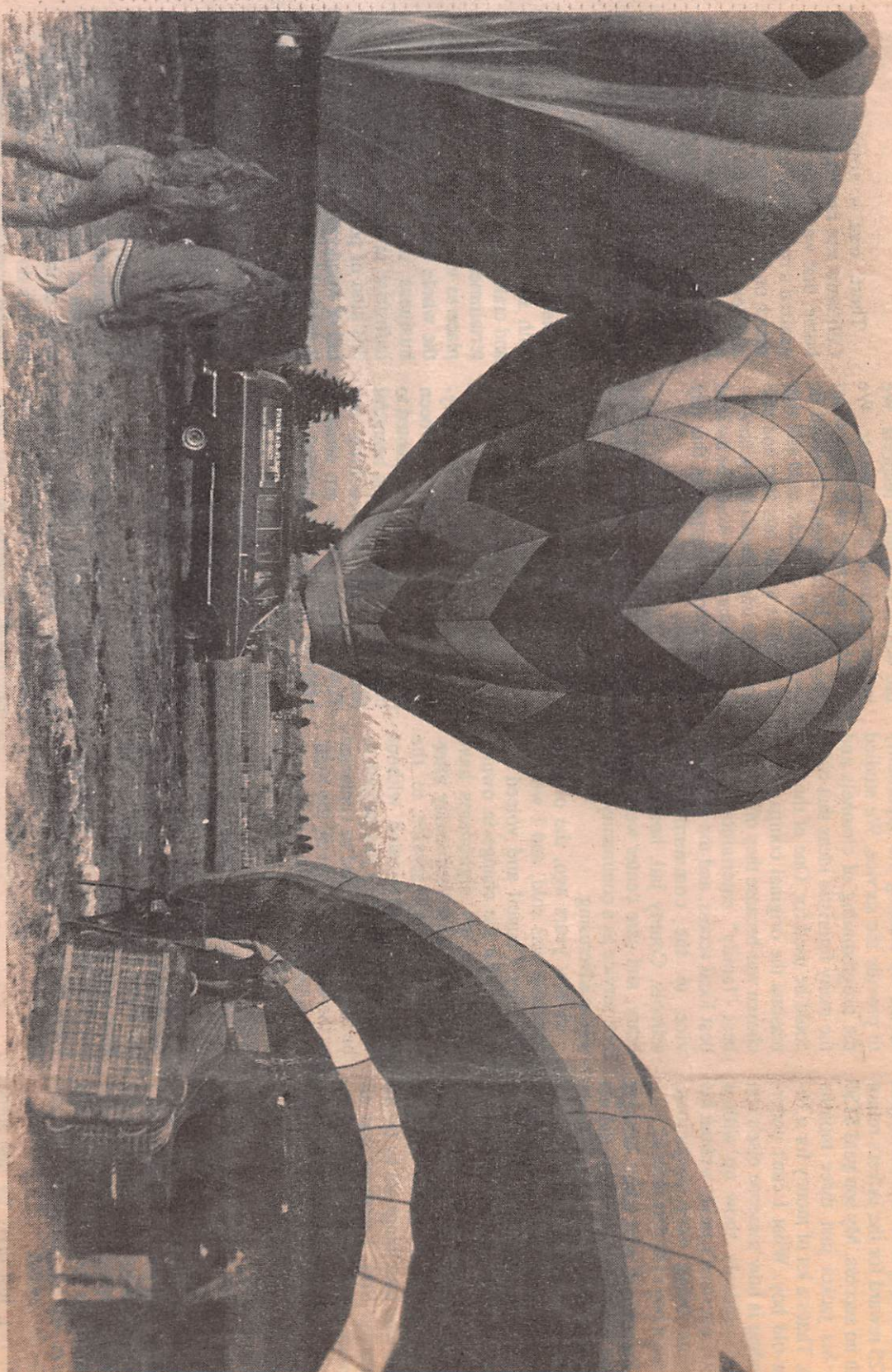
Participants and spectators are all invited to bring their own meat to barbecue and whatever else they want for supper.

"This just kind of started out in a small way, and it's just blossomed, and blossomed, and blossomed. In the beginning, I was hoping to have just one aircraft...I'm kind of amazed at how rapidly everything's coming together," he said.

Carroll has just begun his fifth year of jumping with 930 jumps, and 12 hours of free fall time logged. He is an AFF instructor, the highest instructor rating given by the United States Parachuting Association, and is the safety and training advisor in the District which includes Heber and Ogden.

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Hot air ballooning, like sailplanes, is being held in the hands of creation and flying free.

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Over 40 years ago, I started to envy the beautiful people willing to challenge gravity and fly freely great distances with only a few square feet of nylon to protect them from being a integral part of the earth we live on. Daring, challenge, learned skills. Freedom.

The lakes and streams. The water. A great necessity but a foreign environment to us but what a challenge. Above, in, and under. It is all here. Water ski, wind surf, boating. The Coast Guard Reserve. We have some of the greatest fishing that so many wish they had.

What else? We have Jerry Saunders with the sleigh rides, cross-country ski trails, balloon rides, great food and one of the finest resorts known. And who can forget The Heber Creeper?

So much more. We have business owners who believe in the Heber Valley. They are not closing. They are building. We have many residents that say what can I do to help. They can and will help.

What can you do? Can you "Master the Possibilities?" Can you believe? If you are involved in these low impact recreation activities or are you interested, shake your politicians hand for his or her support. Get together with us to let the world know Heber Valley USA is here.

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